IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY CAMDEN VICINAGE

IN RE VALSARTAN, LOSARTAN, AND IRBESARTAN : PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 2875 (RBK-JS)

MTD ORDER 2

This Document Relates To All Actions.

KUGLER, United States District Judge:

THIS MATTER having come before the Court upon the Manufacturer and Wholesaler Defendants' Motions to Dismiss under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(1);

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, in this MTD Order 2, which is a partial opinion to Defendants Motion to Dismiss, that is, the second in a series, and governing herewith ONLY the issue of plaintiffs' standing and for the reasons stated in the accompanying MTD Opinion 2 of this date, that:

the Manufacturer and Wholesaler Defendants' Motions to Dismiss the Economic Loss and Medical Monitoring Master Complaints for the issue of standing are GRANTED ONLY with respect to:

- (1) Plaintiffs' second theory of economic injury-in-fact because Plaintiffs failed to allege facts from which the injury could be valued;
- (2) the economic loss and medical monitoring class actions because named Plaintiffs have failed to allege the very low threshold of sufficient traceability, that is, by simply asserting facts that trace the injuries through the supply chain of Defendants; and
- (3) Defendants' argument that the named Plaintiffs in the economic loss and medical monitoring class actions cannot raise claims outside of the states where they reside or were injured;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Economic Loss and Medical Monitoring Complaint be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE ONLY** to the extent and **ONLY** for the reasons articulated above;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should Plaintiffs wish to amend their complaints, they have up to and including 27 January 2021 to do so.

Dated: 12January 2021

<u>/s Robert B. Kugler</u> ROBERT B. KUGLER United States District Judge